

Sub E1

1. A process for forming images comprising the steps of:
conducting recording on a recording medium provided with an
image-receiving layer, the image-receiving layer containing particles having a diameter of
0.1 to 10 μm for imparting a matted appearance to the surface of the image-receiving layer;
and
laminating a laminating film comprising a thermoplastic film without a
backing layer onto the image-receiving layer and smoothing a surface of the thermoplastic
film by heating and pressurizing means to bond a back side of the thermoplastic film onto
the image-receiving layer.

2. (Twice Amended) A process for forming images as set forth in
Claim 1, wherein a surface glossiness of the heating and pressurizing means is equal to or
greater than 10% at an incident angle of 20°.

3. (Twice Amended) A process for forming images as set forth in
Claim 2, wherein the surface glossiness is equal to or greater than 70% at an incident angle
of 75°.

4. A process for forming images as set forth in Claim 1, wherein either
a glass transition point of the thermoplastic film is lower than a glass transition point of a
binder resin in the image-receiving layer or a film-forming temperature of the
thermoplastic film is lower than a film-forming temperature of a binder resin in the
image-receiving layer.